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MICRO-SWITCHING DEVICE

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For.

The benefit of the filing date of the following prior foreign application is hereby requested for the above-identified application, and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. 119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Appln. No. 2004-104378, filed March 31, 2004

In support of this claim, the requisite certified copy of said original foreign application is filed herewith.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the applicants have complied with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 119 and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of said certified copy.

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Respectfully submitted,

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